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TWO MORE TRAINS TO BE ADDED TO SERVICE

Effective June 22d two additional trains will be added to the Union Pacific service. The east bound train will be known as No. 10 and will do local work between Cheyenne and North Platte. Its arrival in North Platte will be about two o'clock in the afternoon. The west bound train will be the re-instatement of No. 3 and will reach North Platte about three o'clock in the morning. This train will also do local work between North Platte and Cheyenne. This local service will be especially valuable to people living along the line from Julesburg west. No. 19 will also continue to do local work between this city and Cheyenne. The re-instatement of these trains will give employment to four additional North Platte engine crews and two additional passenger crews.

Smocks and middies in all sizes, made of best quality galatite and long jean, in plain colors, some combinations and some white trimmed in red or blue on sale now at BLOCK'S. Thinking of a silk sweater for the coming hot weather? See them at BLOCK'S.

Glen Lindsey, charged with abetting the delinquency of Laura Johnson, a fifteen year old girl, had a hearing before Judge Woodhurst Wednesday and was fined \$200 and costs, which he paid. The girl was paroled to an aunt.

LEASES K. P. HALL AS LABOR TEMPLE

The North Platte Central Labor Union has leased the K. P. hall for a period of from three to five years and will designate it hereafter as Labor Temple. It will be arranged to have all local unions and labor organizations use this hall as a meeting place until such a time as it is possible to erect a permanent labor temple. The erection of such a building is a future possibility as organized labor is becoming very strong in North Platte and such a building will become a necessity as a meeting place for the various and many organizations.

Mothers who have girls should not fail to attend the big sale of girls' wash dresses. The most wonderful bargains. For one day only, Saturday this week, at The Leader Mercantile Co.

Mrs. Margaret Rayome filed a complaint in the county court Wednesday charging Archie McClellan and Mrs. Herne Stromburg with assaulting her Tuesday. The trouble will be aired in court today or tomorrow.

Hundreds of wash skirts made of best quality gabardine, washable satins, crepe de chine and georgette, and the styles are its very latest in skirt-dom. All priced very reasonably at BLOCK'S.

P. J. Norton came up from Grand Island Wednesday to attend the safety first meeting.

JUDGE WOODRUGH DECIDES IMPORTANT IRRIGATION CASE

In the federal court in this city yesterday Judge Woodrugh decided a seepage case of vast importance to all irrigation companies, holding that such a company cannot be sued for seepage damage in the absence of negligence. The case arose in Scotts Bluff county and was entitled Thomas Hooker against the Farmers' Irrigation District. Hooker alleged that his land had been ruined by seepage from the canal of the Farmers' ditch.

The evidence showed that there are three large canals above the Hooker land, two belonging to the government and one in the Farmers' District. It also showed that the Hooker land was subject to overflow from a large watershed. The inundation of Hooker's land began in 1914. The Farmers' ditch began to carry water in 1907. The government canals began their water carrying in 1913 and 1915.

The negligence alleged by the plaintiff consisted in the construction of the ditch through blue clay formation. It was claimed that this formation is cracked and readily allows water to leak from the ditch. Judge Woodrugh held this was not a sufficient showing of negligence. He also held that there was no sufficient showing of damage, basing the loss on the value of the land before the ditch was constructed and after its seepage.

The case was hard fought, the irrigation companies feeling that it was a test case. T. M. Morrow of Scotts Bluff, represented the plaintiff and L. L. Raymond of Scotts Bluff, and F. E. Edgerton of Aurora, represented the irrigation company. It is probable the case will be appealed.

Old Soldier Passes Away.

John W. Martin, a veteran of the civil war, died Tuesday at the age of eighty-two years. The deceased had been in ill health for several years from troubles incident to old age. Mr. Martin was one of the earliest settlers to locate in Garfield precinct and had since been a resident of this county. Three sons and a daughter are left, O. R. Martin, Elmer Martin and Lew Martin, and Mrs. F. W. Jones. Funeral services were held from the Baptist church yesterday afternoon and interment made in the city cemetery.

If you are planning an auto trip call and see our complete assortment of khaki garments, just the thing for auto wear and touring. Khaki suits, dresses and separate skirts at lowest prices possible at BLOCK'S.

Francis Shults and Fannie Nelson applied for a marriage license yesterday, but as it was their desire to be married in Kearney, they were told by Judge Woodhurst that they would need secure their license in Buffalo county.

America's best waists for women on sale at The Leader Mercantile Co.'s. at \$1.00, \$1.50 and \$2.50. High class crepe de chine waists at \$3.95.

T. V. Austin left this week for Kansas, where he expects to make a protracted visit with relatives.

MAJOR TAKES A BATH; BREAKS THE TUB

Major M. C. Harrington, of Denver, who is a guest at the Hotel McCabe, is of goodly proportions; in fact he is a big man. Yesterday morning he essayed to take a bath, nothing unusual for the Major to do, but the results were unexpected. As he let his weight down into the tub one of the iron supports or legs broke off, the tub tilted and as it veered the water in the tub poured on the floor. But this was not all, for as the tub lunged forward the plumbing connection where it entered the tub was wrenched off and the full pressure of water from the city mains poured forth. Before this could be remedied there was a sea of water in the room; it leaked to the floor below, thence trickled down into the basement, making a horrible "muss". Hereafter Major Harrington will take baths only in tubs that are guaranteed to withstand a dead weight of 250 pounds.

Camp Fire Notes

The Camp Fire Girls will leave tomorrow for the state camp, Camp Metkomeesh, at Crete, Nebraska. Eight of the Pioneer and six of the Nicasio girls will go, while the Winnebago group will be represented by Elizabeth Berthe and the Kheelochees by Mable Breternitz and Louise Rybee.

The Nicasioes and Pioneers together have earned \$250 since March to pay their camping expenses. The girls have worked hard and will enjoy their outing. While at camp they will learn craftswork, basket making, etc., and swimming and diving will be taught. A life saver will be in charge at the lake, and there will be an infirmary with trained nurse on the grounds, so the girls will be well cared for. Mrs. Crosby and the Misses Layton and Iddings, guardians, will chaperone the girls.

The Kheelochees held their weekly meeting at the home of Emma Buchanan. During the absence of the guardian, Mrs. Koch, Miss Helen Bird is assistant guardian.

The Pioneer Camp Fire held a ceremonial meeting Thursday night; Dorothy Elder lighted the candle of work; Edna Barber the candle of health and Ruth McGrew the candle of love. Evelyn Wilcox and Mable Getty became woodgatherers at this meeting, having attained this rank by winning the required honors.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Chas. Foster left Thursday on a business trip to Chicago.

W. T. Alden made a business trip to Grand Island Thursday.

Mrs. C. L. Thomas, of Laramie, is the guest of Mrs. C. Shelver.

Mrs. A. McVicker, of Cozad, visited relatives in town Thursday.

Mrs. John Kellher, of Maxwell, visited friends in town Thursday.

Mrs. M. E. Scott is suffering from a severe attack of throat trouble.

Miss Elizabeth Bergman has entered training at the General hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stackhouse of Wallace, visited friends in town yesterday.

Miss Olive Harshfield, of Sutherland, visited friends in town yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Spencer, of Wallace, spent yesterday in town visiting friends.

Mrs. Edward Corbett, of White, Neb., has been visiting friends in town the past week.

Special bargains for as long as they last, but they cannot last long at the sale prices. E. T. Tramp & Sons.

Mrs. W. H. McDonald will leave Sunday for Lincoln to attend the state convention of the P. E. O.

Mrs. F. H. Barber is taking treatment at the Sycamore Mineral Springs at Sabetha, Kansas.

Mr. and Mrs. Del Bonner arrived Wednesday from Lincoln for a month's visit with the former's mother, Mrs. Carl Bonner.

Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Buckley went to Omaha Wednesday where Mr. Buckley will attend the bankers' convention.

Fred George and Mike McCullough, of Brady, are in town today enroute home from a business trip to Steamboat Springs, Cal.

Mrs. C. F. Spencer, Mrs. F. W. Rincker and Mrs. Wm. Reynolds will leave Monday to attend the P. E. O. convention to be held in Lincoln next week.

Shoes of superior quality, Nettleton and Florsheim for the discriminating man. E. T. Tramp & Sons' shoe store. 44-2

A. Wangan, who has recently been released from service at Camp Pike, visited his sister Mrs. Theodore Lowe, Jr. yesterday while enroute to North Dakota.

When ready to build your home—see us. We will assist you financially. Thayer & Co.

Mrs. R. A. Armstrong and three daughters will arrive the first of the week from Portland, Ore., for a visit with the former's sister, Mrs. M. H. Douglas.

Miss Edna Moeck has completed her season at the Hub millinery department and will leave Sunday for a short visit at her home in St. Joe before going to New York.

Governor McKeville has issued a proclamation designating tomorrow as flag day. Be sure that you float Old Glory to the breeze. The local lodge of Elks, in common with lodges all over the country, will observe Sunday as Elks' flag day and a committee has been appointed to prepare appropriate exercises.

NEW BANK WILL BE OPENED IN THIS CITY

A charter for the Union State Bank of North Platte has been granted and the institution will be opened as soon as a suitable room can be secured and the preliminary arrangements completed. The institution has been organized by Omaha men, but included in the stockholders are a number of well-to-do Swede farmers in the section tributary to North Platte.

The organization of a fourth bank in North Platte has been anticipated for a year or more past, as it has generally been conceded that the volume of business transacted by the three existing banks would sooner or later attract the attention of men looking for a bank opening. The Omaha men interested in the new institution are interested in several banks at various points in the state.

North Platte is Ready.

North Platte, the only stopping place on the ocean to ocean airplane flight, is ready for the arrival of the big Martin machine, but just when it may be expected no one at this writing knows. Lieut. Conklin and his men have the field east of the river bridge in readiness, the Standard Oil Co. has contracted to supply the plane with gasoline and lubricating oil, and the bulletin wire surmounted by the McGraw plane and with cines enroute marked has been stretched across Dewey street. We are all now waiting for word that the plane has started from the Long Island station.

The Jollification Supper.

The Jollification supper party of the Twentieth Century club which was held in the Methodist church parlors Tuesday evening marked the close of a successful club year, for in spite of the influenza epidemic, war work activities of its members, and many other hindrances, the club has accomplished a great deal in its efforts to live up to its motto, "Be Useful Where Thou Livest."

Decorations were in the club colors, pink and white, and great bowls of pink and white garden flowers graced the long tables. Streamers of the same colors were draped from the chandeliers marking the officers' places at the head of the table.

After a mock business meeting, in which reports were given by the officers, Miss Kramph presented the retiring president, Mrs. Cotterell, with a beautiful bouquet of cut flowers.

Following the installation of officers Mrs. Prater, the new president, then threw wide the doors to the Twentieth Century Club, cordially inviting all the women of the city to join in the work for next year.

Very pretty new smocks just arrived. E. T. Tramp & Sons.

W. C. Shelver spent Friday in Omaha looking after company business.

Mrs. Rasmussen and Miss Crabill, of Sutherland, visited friends in town Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Brooks went to Gothenburg today to attend the alumni banquet.

Misses Elizabeth and Fern Foster, of Eclipse, are the guests of Mrs. Ralph Smith.

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DR. CRESSLER SELLS HIS RANCH FOR \$28,000.00

Dr. O. H. Cressler has sold his 1280 acre ranch in Myrtle precinct sixteen miles northeast of the city to Dick Baker, of Stapleton, for a consideration of twenty-eight thousand dollars, or an average of \$22.75 per acre. Included in the tract is the former McNicol land, much of which is a good quality farm land. Mr. Baker, we understand, purchased it for speculative purposes and with land steadily increasing in value will no doubt make some "easy money."

Both Sides "Satisfied"

In the strike of the Commercial Telegrapher's union, both the strike leaders and the telegraph companies announce themselves as "satisfied" with the showing made up to last evening. The president of the union announces that 18,000 workers are out, while the officials of the Western union and Postal companies say that already the strike is "practically at an end." So there you are; take whichever statement you wish. At the local Postal office Mr. Clabaugh stated yesterday afternoon that conditions east of Chicago were unsatisfactory and that messages for points east of that city were accepted only subject to the delay clause.

You may choose your most becoming style and color from the large assortment of motor hats, caps and bonnets shown by The Leader Mercantile Co.

German Arrogance Growing

Hostility between the American soldiers and the German civilians in the occupied region, and especially around Coblenz, which has been increasing recently, has resulted in additional clashes during the last few days. In one instance an American was killed and in other encounters in various parts of the occupied zone several Americans were wounded.

Complete assortment of infants' wear, short dresses, long dresses, short coats and long coats, capes, wool jackets, sweaters, bonnets, shoes, carriage robes, bibs, etc., main floor BLOCK'S.

375,000 TROOPS COMING HOME THIS MONTH

Paris, June 12.—General Pershing has advised that he intends to transport 375,000 men homeward during the month of June. This breaks all previous records for moving troops overseas and exceeds the number Great Britain moved across the channel in any month.

You may be comfortable and still look your best if you wear one of the pretty new motor hats, caps or bonnets shown by The Leader Mercantile Co. at 50c and up.

J. M. McCrone, of Poland, Ohio, who had been visiting his brother T. S. McCrone, left this morning for the Pacific coast. This was the first meeting of the brothers in seventeen years.

Austin Bedell is expected to return the first of the week from Omaha where he has been attending Creighton college.

This Week Only. With every \$1.00 purchase we will give one pound of sugar at five cents a pound. DICK STEGEMANN.

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